Fall of Man DECLARED.

AND

The way declared in plainnesse and according unto Truth, how fall Man and Woman may be restored into that pure innocent state and being that Adam was in before the fall.

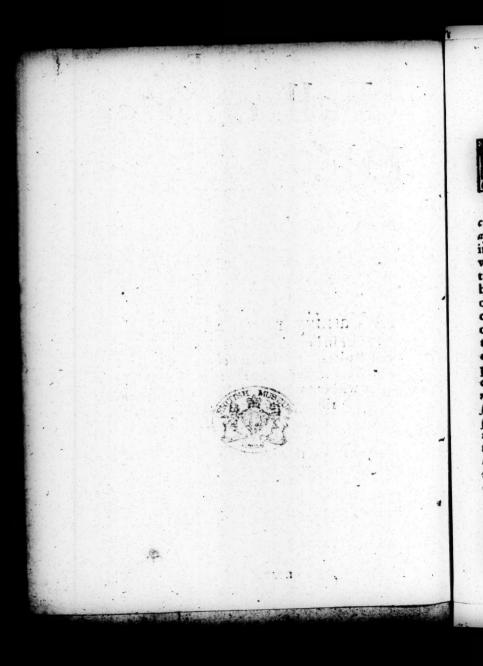
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A VVarning from the Lord God of life and power in bowels of dear and tender love unto all, the Rulers, Priests and People, that they hasten to Repentance, who are spending their time without the fear of the Lord, and nourishing their hearts as in a day of slaughter.

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For the triumphing of the wicked is but short, and the bope of the bypocrite but for amount, and though his excellency mount up to the
beavens, and his head reach the clouds, yet shall be perish like his
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which so has shall see him no more.

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The Fall of Man Declared.



OD who made the World and all things therein, who formed the mountains, and created the Winds, who is a God at hand, and not a God afar off, who is near unto all that call up-

on him in Truth and Righteoufneffe.

Oh all people, Seek ye the Lord while be may be found, and call upon him while be is near, you be created Male and Female after bis own Image, and to do his will, and to delight alone in him, and to worthip, ferve and obey him, who gave man whom he created after his own image, power and authority, and fet him over and above all the crestures, which he by the word of his power created for the use and service of man; I fay the Lord God gave man, fo long as man continued in obedience unto him, power and authority over all the fowls of the ayr and the filhes of the fea, and the beafts of the field; And the Lord God he planted a garden in Eden, and he took man whom he had formed and put him into the Garden to dreffe it and to keep it, and commanded him faying, Of every tree in the Garden thou mayft freely eat but of the tra of the knowledge of good & evil thou halt not eat of it, for in the day that thou esteft thereof thou halt furely die : And the Lord God he faid It is not good that the man should be alone, I will make bim a meet belp for bim, and the Lord God made of the rib which he took from man, a woman. and brought ber unto man, and faid; Adam, this is now bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh, and she shall be called woman because she was taken out of man,

Now the Serpent being more subtile then any heast of the field which God had made, saith he, Yea hath God said of every tree in the Garden you may not eat of, The Woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the Garden, but of the tree that is in the midst of the Garden, God hath said ye shall

not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it least ye die.

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Now the serpent being more subtile then any beaft of the field, although God had faid in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die: faid the serpent unto the woman. Te shal not surely die, for God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof. then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods knowing good and evil, and when the woman faw that it was good for food, and pleafant to the eyes, and a tree to be defired to make one wife, the took of the fruit thereof and did en; and gave unto ber busband with ber and be did eat, and immediately their eyes were opened. and they fam that they were naked, and they gathered fig-leaves and sewed them together to make themselves aprons, for to make a covering to hide them from the presence of the Lord. (mark that) all ye people who are yet in the fall, in the transgression, driven out from the presence of the Lord into the earth, that when man & woman had disobeyed & transgreffed the command of the Lord God, in eating of the the forbidden fruit, that was of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, which God commanded, man whom he had created after his own image, faying, Of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil thou mayest not eat, for in the day thou eatof thereof thou fhalt surely die: I say that when man and woman had disobeyed the Command of the Lord in eating of the forbidden fruit, immediately their eyes were opened. and they faw that they were maked, and they fewed figgleaves together for to hide themselves from the presence of the Lord, And they beard the voyce the Lord God walking in the Garden in the coole of the day, they feeing their nakedness. they bid them felves among it the trees of the Garden from the presence of the Lord, (mark that) all ye who are in the fall, in the transgression, and spending your dayes without the fear of the Lord, and your precious time which the Lord God spares you, for to fee if you will return unto him, in sports, pleasures, rioting and wickednesse; turn in your minds into the light of the Son of God, with which you are enlightned, which checks and reproves you for fin and evil, and makes manifest the evil of your doings, and the thoughts and insents of your hearts unto you, when there is no man present with you, or can accuse of them, yet is the Lord God prefent with you by his light, which is his

true and faithful witnesse, which he hath placed in you which never confented unto fin and evil, but is a witneffe for God against fin and evil; I say, then is the Lord prefent to reprove you, and to condemn you for the evil of your doings; I say turn in your minds into the Light of the Son of God, with which you are inlightned, and come and let us reason, together a little; Is there not in you after the height of your wickednesse is over, and you come into a little calmnesse in the cool of the day, a still low voice following of you, and crying in you, man or Woman; Where art thou? what is this which thou hait done? Then by the light of Christ in thee, with which thou art enlightned, comes to fee thou hast disobeyed the Command of the Lord God; And that thou half acted contrary-unto his pure mind, and will, and unto his true and faithful witnesse in thee, which is the light of the Son of God, with which thou art enlightned; So I fay, by that thou comes to fee that thou art naked, and then terrour and fear takes hold upon thee; and then thou fires to get a covering to hide thy felf from the presence of the Lord; then in that flate and condition, as thou art firiting to get some Fig-leaved Garment, or some words, as the enemy of thy fouls peace, that old ferpent, who was alvar from the beginning, shall put into thee, or raise up in thee to speak; but this I tell ye all from the Lord God, who are yet in the fall, and in the transgression, driven out from the presence of the Lord, and without God in the World, that all the coverings that you have made, or ever shall make, are too narrow, and they cannot hide you, neither can you be hid under them from the presenge of the Lord God; for from the Lord God you cannot hide, nor from him you cannot flie, but unto him you muft give an account, for the deeds and works done in the body, whether they be good, or whether they be evil; And the woe of the Lord is unto all ye who are making falle fained coverings, to hide you, from the Lord, and from the eves of men; for wee faith the Lord, unto the rebellious Children, who take counsell and not of me, and that cover with a covering, but not with my Spirit; And moe unto them that bide

bide their fins, for they shall not prosper; And this I tell you again from the Lord, that your coverings are too narrow, and they cannot hide you, neither are you hid under them from the Lord, nor from the pure single Eie, which the Lord God hath opened in hundreds of his dear Babe's and Lambs, who are counted by you the off-scouring of all things, and people not fit to live upon the Earth, and as sheep for the saughter; and are reproachfully, and

Scornfully by you called Quakers.

So now all people as you tender the good of your own souls, and have any defire to know the Lord God who created ye, this is the counsel of the Lord God unto ye; Oh! Turn in, turn in your minds jute the Light of the Son of God, with which you are enlightned, and waite ye in patience in it; and hearken diligently unto the Voice of the Lord, unto the Voice of the true Prophet Christ Jesus, the Son of God, the light of the World, Who is the light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the World, who must be heard in all things; For said the servant of the Lord, A Prophet will the Lord your God raise up unto you, of your brethren like unto me, him shall ye hear in all things, what soever he shall say unto you, And it shall come to passe, that every sul which will not hear that Prophet, shall be destroyed from among it the People.

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So all people who are yet in the fall, in the transgression, driven out from the presence of the Lord into the Earth, and without God in the World; I fay as you tender the good, and welfare, and happinesse of your immortal fouls cease from man, whose breath is in his nostrils, who keeps you ever learning, but never able so come to the knowledge of the Truth ; and give not way unto that fpirit which hath led and acted you into fin, and into transgreffion, into lightnesse, and ayrinesse; but turn in your minds into the light of the Son of God, and keep in your minds, and wait yein patience in it, and hearken ye diligently unto the voice the true Prophet Christ Jesus, the Light of the World, who is the true Light, that enlightneth every man that cometh into the World; Ilay, hearken ye diligently unto the voice of the true Prophet, which is a still low voice which follows the Creature, and when

the Greature turns either unto the right hand or unto the left, it saith this is the way walk in it; (Mark that) all ye who are yet in the fall and in the transgression, that is the voice of the true Prophet which cries in you for purity and holinesse, and after the heighth of your wickednesse is over, and you come into a little calmnesse, then in the cool of the day it cries in you Man or Woman, where art thou? what is this that thou hast acted and done, then you with the Light of the Son of God comes to see your nakednesse, and then you strive to make coverings to hide your selves from the presence of the Lord, and in this state and condition, as I said before, the wo of the Lord is unto you, For wo saith the Lord unto the rebellious Children who take counsel and not of me, and that cover with a covering but

not with my Spirit.

And the Lord God called unto Adam, and faid, where art thou, fayes Adam unto God again, I heard thy voice and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I bid my self; so when Man whom God created after his own Image, had disobeyed the command of the Lord who created him, in eating of the forbidden fruit, that is of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, which God said in the day thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely dye, and immediately after Adam and Eve his wife had eaten of the forbidden fruit, the Lord he opened their eyes, and then they faw their nakedneffe, and they gathered fig-leaves and fewed them together to make them coverings, and they strove to hide themselves amongst the trees of the garden from the presence of the Lord; and faid the Lord unto Adam, who shewed thee thy nakednesse? Hast thou eaten of the forbidden fruit, which I commanded thee that thou shouldst not eat of; Then anfwered Adem unto the Lord, the woman that thou gavest to be . with me did give unto me and I did eat; Then faid the Lord unto the Woman, What is this that thou haft done? Then answered the Woman and faid. The Serpent did begui e me and I did eats Then faid the Lord God unto the Serpent, for this that they halt done thou art carfed above all Cattle, and above every Beat of the field, upon thy belly halt thou go, and dust shall be thy west all the dayes of thy life; Andfaid the Lord God, I

will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy feed and her feed, and it shall bruise thy head, that is the seed

of the woman, and thou shalt bruise ber beel.

And so now all people who are yet in the fall, and in the transgression, in the earth driven out from the presence of the Lord, unredeemed, and without God in the world; This I write unto you all in dear love, and in bowels of tender love, and as you prize the good of your own fouls consider, and lay it to heart, how you have spent your time without the fear of the Lord God, who created you to do his will, and to ferve and obey him; fo now I fay unto you all, come to a true and a serious consideration for what end and purpose God created you, whether to do his will, and to ferve and obey him, or to do your own wicked corrupt wills, and to ferve and obey your own hearts lufts, unto the witnesse of God in all your Consciences do I speak, which I know from the Lord God will answer, and confesse, that God created you to do his will, and to serve and obey him; Then this is the counsel of the Lord God unto you, and my exhortation unto you all, in his pure dread and fear, and in bowels of tender love unto your fouls, Oh dread and fear ye God, and let the time paft be too much which you have spent without the fear of the Lord God, and cease to do evil, and learn to do well, and go on no longer in rebellion and disobedience unto the Lord God, least you provoke his wrath against you, to deitroy you; Therefore I say kiffe the Son least be be anory and ve perish in the way, for when his wrath is kindled but a littlebleffed and bappy are all they who put their trust in him.

Now as touching the state and condition that man was in before the fall, and before he disobeyed, so long as he continued in obedience unto the command of the Lord, and in that pure, innocent, holy, and harmlesse being wherein God created him, he did enjoy the presence of the Lord God, and had Union, and Communion, and Fellowship with the Lord, and then he had power and authority over the Creatures which God created for the use and service of man, but through disobedience and transgression anto the holy and righteous command of the Lord God,

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who created him, he the Creature man loft the image in which he was created, and loft also his Union, and Communion, and Fellowship with the Lord, which he had with the Lord before he disobeyed his command, so through disobedience he was drove into the earth from the presence of the Lord, and then the Lord placed Cherubims and a flaming fword at the garden of Eden, which turned every way to keep the way of the tree of life, to through mans disobedience he loft the image, and was driven out from the presence of the Lord into the earth, and loft his Power, Authority, and Dominion which he had with the Lord before he disobeyed, he loft that Power, and that Authority, and that Dominion which he had over the Creatures which God created for the use and service of man; So now fince the fall of Man, his fall being fo great, the Creatures have had Power and Dominion over the Creature Man, and Man hath been in bondage unto the Creatures, through disobedience unto God the Creator, (Mark that all ye unbelievers, who will not believe in Christ Jesus the Light) who are yet in the fall, in the transgression, and in the Earth driven out from the presence of the Lord, and without God in the world, who are in bondage and in flavery unto the Creatures, and they have Power, and Dominion over you, some of you running into the abuse of one Creature, and some of you running into the abuse of another, your hearts being fixed and fetled in the Earth, and in some Creature-enjoyment, your treasure being in the Earth and Earthly things, there is your hearts also; So now as you are in the fall, in the transgression driven out from the presence of the Lord into the Earth, and you standing in this state and condition, the Creatures which Man had power over at the beginning, so long as he stood in the counsel of God, they Rule and have Bower and Dominion over you, you being run into the abuse of the Creatures, so hereby you are in flavery and in bondage unto them.

No way out of the Fall but by following the Light.

Ow all people who are yet in the fell, and in the transgression driven out from the presence of the Lord into the Earth, and without God in the World, as the Lord God giveth me utterance, I shall declare the way in plainnesse, and according unto the Truth, how fallen Men and Women may be restored into that pure innocent state, and being that Adam was in before the

fall.

Oh all people, dread, dread, and fear, and tremble before the living God of Heaven and Earth, at whose voice the wind and the Sea obeyeth, who by the breath of his Nostrils, and the brightnesse of his coming, he will flay the wicked; Oh return, return, return unto the Lord God, and repent while ye have time, and turn in your minds into the light of the Son of God, in your own Consciences, with which he hath enlightned you, who is the true Light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, who came not into the world to fave man in fin, but from fin, and in him is no fin, and who foever abideth in him finnech not, neither can be fin because his feed remaineth in him; therefore I fay unto yeall, unto the light of Christ take heed, and keep in your minds, and wait ye in patience in it, in that which checks and reproves you for fin and evil, and makes manifest the evil of your doings unto you, when no man fees you, or can accuse you of it, yet is the Lord God prefent with his Light, which is his true and faithful-wirneffe which be hath placed in man, which never consented unto fin or evil, but flands a witneffe for God in man against fin and evil, I fay the Lord God is present with his Light to condemn you for sin and evil.

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the Light of his Son, which is manifested in you, and humble your felves, and lye down under the hand of his mighty power, that he may pour out his judgements, and vials of wrath, and plagues, and woes upon the head of the wicked in you, which rules and reigns in you as King, and hath led and doth ftill lead and act you into fin and into transgression, that so the Lord God may shew mercy unto your fouls, for the Lord he thews not mercy unto that which bath led and acted the Creature into transgression. but it is his own feed in man which lieth yet in you oppressed and burthened as a Cart preffed with theaves, by reason of fin and wickednesse, which is yet remaining alive in you. and uncrucified, and unsubdued, by the power of God; Therefore this is the counsel of the Lord God unto you all, turn in, turn in your minds into the light of the son of God, and wait ye in patience in it, that you may feel the power of the Lord God to crucifie and to subdue, and to expell and to work out all that in you which entred into man through disobedience and transgression, that so the feed of God, the feed immortal, which is yet oppreffed in you, may be ealed and delivered, that fo it may grow and increase unto the praise and glory of the Lord, who is God bleffed for evermore, Amen.

Therefore I say in love unto all your souls, submit ye unto the Lord God, and lye down under the hand of his mighty power, that so he may pour out his judgements, and his vials of wrath upon that which hath led and acted you into transgression, that so he may shew mercy unto your souls, for the Lord he shews not mercy, as I said before, unto that which leads the Creature into transgression, but he shews mercy unto his own seed in men, which never confented to sin or evil, and he that repents and forsakes his sins, and turns unto the Lord with a purpose of heart, then

will the Lord God flew mercy unto his foul.

And this is the counsel of the Lord God unto you, in dear and in tender love unto your souls, turn in, turn in your minds into the light of the Son of God in your own particulars, with which you are enlightned, which is the true Light that enlightneth every man that cometh into

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the world; Therefore I fay, unto the Light of Chrift take heed and wait ye in patience in the Croffe, in that which is a Croffe unto your carnal minds and wills, which are running abroad into the Earth, and Earthly things, for in the Croffe and through the Croffe is the power of the Lord God felt and witneffed, although the preaching of the Croffe was unto the Greeks foolilhneffe, and unto the Tems a stumbling block, yet this I can give in my Testimony for the Lord God, that unto us which are faved it is the power of God unto Salvation, unto every one that believeth; Therefore I fay turn in your minds into the Light of Christ in your own particulars, which is made manifest in you, and wait ve in patience in the Croffe, that you feel and fee the power of the Lord to flay the enmity and to take away the cause, and to break down the partition-wall, and to rent the vail; Now I fay, who am a lover of all fouls, wait in patience in the Croffe, that you may feel and fee the power of the Lord God to take away and to remove the cause. to take away that and to remove that, and to work out. and to expell out all that in you which hath caused a feparation betwixt God and you, that is to feel and to fee the power of the Lord God to work out, and to expell fin and iniquity; for faith the Lord, your fins have feparated you from me, and your iniquities bath with-held good things from you: fo wait ye in the Croffe, that you may all feek, and fee the power of the Lord God to break down the partition-wall, to break down that in you which is yet flanding as a wall in you, which is the man of fin, which leparates you from the Lord Gold who created you; And fo all wait in patience in the Light, and keep in your minds staid in it, I fay wait in patience in the Light, that you may feel and fee the power of the Lord God to rent the vail, and to take it off the heart; for through mansdisobedience unto the Lord God who created him, there came a vail overthe heart by reason of fin and transgression, which vailed the Creature from the Lord; So now I fay in love unto all your fonls. wait ye in patience in the Croffe, that you may feel and fee the pure power of the Lord God, to take away, and to remove, and to expell, and to work out all that which is yet remaining remaining alive in you, which entered into man through disobedience and transgression, by the reason of which man lost the image in which he was created, and lost also his Union, and Communion, and Fellowship which he had with the Lord God before he disobeyed; so through disobedience man was driven into the Earth from the presence of the Lord.

So all people who are yet in the fall in the transgression. and without God in the world, this is the counsel of the Lord God unto you all, turn in, turn in your minds into the light of the Son of God which is made manifest in you. and receive it in the love of it, for the light is in all, and the light is one in all, but all have not received it in the love of it, and so by the light they are condemned; Therefore I say as you tender the good of your own souls, receive the light in the love of it, and prize it above all things, and yield obedience to be led and guided by it; Forthis I tellific unto you from the Lord God, that as you receive the light in the love of it, and give up to be led and guided by it, it will lead you out of fin, and out of evil, unto the Father from whence it came, who is light, and in him is no darkneffe at all, for every good and perfect gift comes from above, from God the Father of lights, in whom is no variablenesse nor shaddow of turning, and it will lead you as you yield obedience to be led, and guided by it, out of all false wayes, worthips, customs, and tradicions that are in the world, and out of the Church that is in the world into the true Church which is in God, which is built up of living, pure, precious, and elect stones, of which Christ is the Head, and there to worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth, for fuch the Father feeks to worlhip him, and the time is already come, that the true worshippers do worship the Father in Spirit and in Truth; And this I cestifie unto you from the Lord, and I know what I fay, having experienced the thing in my own particular, that as you give up freely to be led and guided by the light of the Son of . God, with which he hath enlightned you withall, that in it you will feel and fee the power of the Lord God to fave you out of fin, and out of evil, and in it is power, ftrength,

and fufficiency to deftroy fin, which is the Devils work in you, and death, and he that hath the power of death, that is the Devil; for, for this end and purpole was the Son of God manifelled for to deltroy the works of the Devil; Mark that all ye unbelievers who will not believe in Christ Jefus the light, nor to have him to rule over you, who live in fin and in wickednesse, and pleading for it term of life. and faying you cannot be free from fin on this fide the grave; here you do make your felves manifelt to be of that number in whom Antichrift, that is the man of fin, hath his feat in you, there he firs as if he were God, and he rules and reigns in you as King, and his Servants you are, and his works you do, and his Kingdom you frive to uphold, and plead for it term of lite, that is in and wickednesses for to long as fin and wickednesse rules and reigns in you. folong is Ancichrifts Kingdom flanding in you; and fo you crying up and pleading for fin term of life, and faying that the Creature cannot be free from in while he is here on this fide the grave, here you make void and of none effet the coming of Christ Jesus the Son of God; for as it is recorded in the Scriptures of Truth, and also feen in the record of eternal life, that for this purpose the Son of God was manifested for to destroy the works of the Devil; Now if the Creature must live in fin and wickednesse all the dayes of his life, as you conclude and fay he muft, then is the Devils work not destroyed in him, which is fin and evil, and so as I said before you make void and of none effect the coming of Christ, which was to destroy the works of the Devil.

No place for Repentance after Death.

Here is a Querie unto all the bireling Priests of the Nation, who preach up this destrines that people must live in fin all the dayes of their life, and cannot be cleanfed while they are on this side the grave, and yet when they die they shall be saved and enter into Gods Kingdom.

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Where or when, or which is the place that men and women must be cleansed from sin, is not in this life, of this side the grave, seeing that no unclean thing shall enter into the Kingdom of God; and as the Tree salls so it lies; and as Death leaves, Judgement sinds; and said Christ Jesus the Light, except you believe that I am be, ye shall die in your sins; and said he, I go my way, ye shall seek me, and shall not find me, and whether I go, there ye cannot come. Now I do believe that most people will confesse, that Christ ascended up into Heaven, and be saith as it is recorded in the Scriptures, except ye believe that I am be, ye shall die in your sins, and whether I go, there you cannot come.

This is one of the damnable Doctrines, that the hireling Priests of this Nation teacheth, and it is no lesse then the Doctrine of Devils; for they conclude that the Devil is of more power and strength to keep men and women in fin, then the Lord God is to redeem them out of fin : But this I testifie from the Lord God against the hireling Priests of the Nation, and aga nst all oppofers and gainfayers whatfoever, that Christ Jelus the light of the World, who is the true light, that enlightneth every man that comethe into the World, who is the Power of God, and the Wifdom of God, whole Name is called the Word of Gad; I Lay and testifie from the Lord, that he is of more power. ftrength, and fufficiency, to redeem fallen man and woman out of fin, and out of evil, if they yield obedience: to be led and guided by him, then the Davil, who is the prince of the power of the Aire, who rules in the hearts of the Children of disobedience, bath to keep them in fin and evil; Therefore I fay, turn in your mindes, into the light of the Son of God, with which you ere inlightned, which light is perfect; and as you receive the light in the love of it, which is perfect, and become one with it, you will come to feel the Power of the Lord God, to work out imperfection, which is of, the Devil; So now I fay, when the Creature comes to with the the Devils work deffroyed in him, which is fin and evil, which caused a separation betwixt God and the Creature; May when he comes to

witneffe that destroyed in him, which must he destroyed by the Power of the Lord God, Christ Jesus the light, who is the Power of God, and the Wisdom of God, then he will come to have accesse unto God again: for it is the light which reconciles and unites unto God, and fo by the light the Creature comes to have accesse unto God again ; and as he keeps in the light continually, having his mind staid therein, he will come to have union and communion, and fellowthip with the Lord, as Adam had before he disobeyed, and he will come to feel the living prefence of the Lord God to nourish his soul, and to refreshis foul, and to strengthen his foul, which hath been Dry, and Barren, and Weak, and Feeble for want of Bread, and so as he hath through disobedience unto the Lord. born the image of the Earthly, I fay, by yeilding obedience unto the light of Christ made manifest in him, waiting there to feel the power of the Lord God, to put off the old man with his deeds, that is the old degenerated Nature, he will come to bear the image of the Heavenly; and as he gives up freely unto the Lord, to be led and guided by him, he will come to have power and dominion over the Creatures, which God created for the use and service of man, as man had the power over them at the beginning; for as by the disobedience of one, many were made finners; so by the obedience of one, many shall be made righteous; and as in Adam all die, so in Christ all are madealive.

So all people who are yet in the Fall, in the Transgression without God in the World, and are yet dead in sins and trespasses, this is the Counsel of the Lord God unto you, Turn in, turn in your minds, which are yet abroad in the Earth, into the light of the Son of God, as you prize the good of your own souls, and wait ye in patience in it, that you may feel the power of the Lord God to raise you up from Death to Life, and to quicken you, and so make you alive, that so you may live for evermore, unto the Praise and Glory of his most Hally Name; And this is the desire of my soul, that you may all come to have Union, and Fellowship with the Lord God, as man

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had before he disobeyed; And that you may enjoy his pure living refreshing pretence, to nourish your souls. and to refresh your fouls, and may come to eat of the food Immortal, of the bread Immortal, to nourish your fouls, and to refresh your fouls, and to frengthen your fouls, which are Immortal; For there is nothing that fatisfie the foul which is immortal, but the bread immortal; For faith Christ Jesus the righteous, who is the Lamb of God, which takes away the fins of the World, your Fatherseat Manna in the Wilderness. and they are dead, but I will give you to eat of the hidden Manna of the heart, and he that eateth thereof thall negre him, he shall never hunger, and he that drinketh of the Water that I shall give him, he shall never thirst. for it shall be in him a Well of living Water springing up unto everlafting life; And faith Chrift lefus the Light. I am the living Bread which cometh down form above; and I tell ye from the Lord, except ye eat the Flesh, and drink the Blood of the Son of Man, ye have no life in you, for his bady is Meat indeed, and his blood is Drink indeed fo he that can receive it let him receive it, for they are the words of Truth unto you, and shall stand for ever.

So all people, this is my counsel and advice unto you once more, in the dread and fear of the Lord God, and it is in dear and tender love unto all your souls; Ohlturn in, turnin your minds, into the light of the Son of God which is made manifest in you, which light gives life unto the soul; for he that hath the Son hath life, but he that hath not the Son, not life. And so I have in plainnesse, and according to truth, and not couldness, but according also unto the Scriptures of truth, which are as a cloud of witnesses for me and for the truth which I have written, declared the way how fallen men and women may be reflored into that pure, innocent state and being which Adam was in before the sall, and the cause of his fall, was through disobedience unto the Lord God. So the God of heaven

Heaven raise up his own witnesse in you, and open your understandings, & open that Eie in you which the God of this World hath blimded, that so you may see the things which belongs unto your souls peace, which is the desire of my soul, the Lord God knoweth my heart, and that you may partake of that living vertue which nourisheth our souls, and to have sellowship with us; for truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Christ Jesus the light, who is the Author and Finisher of our Faith, and he is the Anchor and Bishop of our souls; who is God blessed for evermore, Amen.

A Warning from the Lord God of life and power, in bowels of dear and tender love unto all the Rulers, Priests, and People, that they hasten to Repentance, who are spending their time without the fear of the Lord, and nourishing their bearts, as in a day of slaughter.

Epent, repent, repent, and return unto the Lord God of Heaven and Earth, whose voice is terrible unto the Nations, and all Nations are in his fight but as the drop of a bucket, and as the small dust of the Earth ; Oh dread and fear ye the living God, who rules in the Kingdomes of men, who hath the hearts of all men in his hand, and he can turn them when loever he pleaseth; Oh all ye tall Cedars, and fout Oakes, thus faith the Lord God, that except ye speedily repent and return unto the Lord, the Lord God will top you, and he will lay you low, and the Lord God will thake you bend and bow beforehim, and he will flain the pride and the glory of all fleth, and will make all to know that all flesh is as graffe, and the glory of man as the flower of the field, for the graffe withereth, and the flower fadeth away, but the word of the Lord endureth for ever; By which word except you speedily repent and resurts unco the Lord, the Lord God will cut you off, and then woe and milery will be your portion for ever ; Therefore I fay unTo meet the sort by Beschlanes.

to you all, who am a lover of all Souls, as you tender the good, wel-fare and happineffe of your immortal fouls, Return, return unto the Lord, and unto his light in your consciences which checks and reproves you for fin and evil. and makes manifest the evil of your doings unto you, when there is no outward eye fees you or can accuse you ofthem. yet the al-feeing eye of the Lord God fees you and beholds you, and he is present with his light, which is his true and faithfull witneffe in you, to condemn you for the evil of your doings, which light in you never confented to fin or evil, but flands a witnesse for God in you against fin and evill; Therefore I fay unto the light of Chriff take heed, as you prize the good of your own fouls, and put not the day of the Lord afar off any longer, for to day faith the Lord, if you will hear my voyce harden not your hearts; Oh ye Stif-necked, and Rebellious, and Uncircumcifed, in hearts and ears, ye do alwayes refift the holy Ghoft, as your fathers did fo do ye; Oh prize the light, prize the day of the Lords Vification of you, for now he is visiting of you with his pure everlafting love, and he waits to be gracious unto you, and for your return; Oh return return ye unto the Lord God and hearken to his reproof, and go on no longer in rebellion, nor ftif-neckednesse against the Lord. for if you do you will provoke the Lord against you to defroy you, which is not the defire of the Lord, if you will return unte him, for faith the Lord, I defire not the death of one sinner, but rather that all should then and live; for faith he. Oh house of Ifrael, why wile thou dye, why wile thou dye? turn unto me and thy Soul thall live; Oh people why will ye dye, why will ye dye; Oh return, return unto the Lord, and your fouls, shall live, for he hath long waited and is yet waiting for your return, for faid the Lord, Oh Jerusalem Jerusalem, how oft would I have gathered thee as a hen gathereth her chickings under her mings busye would not; And all the day long faith the Lordchave I fretched out mine hand unto a displection and a gain faying people, who would have sone of my Councel neither regarded they my reproof.

but choose the things wherein Ldelighted not; Therefore people as you tender the good of your own Souls, return unto the Lord God while he waits for your return, and while his hand is firewant forth unto you; For this I testifie unto you from the Lord God, that the day of your visitation is near passed over your heads, and the time is very near approaching that the spirit of the Lord God will leave striving with you, for my spirit saith the Lord shall not alwaies strive with man; Then woe and misery will be your portion for ever, and a day of blackness, a day of darknesse, and a day of gloominesse, you shall assuredly come to witnesse where you shall weep and how for sorrow and vexation of spirit, and then there shall be none to pitty you, and this shall assuredly come upon you, except you speedily repent and return unto the Lord, for what I speak,

I fpeak infallibly, and it shall stand for ever.

Therefore all ye Rulers, Priefts and people, I warn you from the Lord God of life and power that you haften to' repentance and amendment of life, knowing affuredly from the Lord, that there is a woeful day approaching and is near at hand upon all the heads of the wicked and the ungodly, and the Lord will make many open examples unto others except they speedily repent and return unto him, for the month of the Lord hath spoken it; Therefore I say as you price the good of your own fouls, provoke the Lord no longer against you, but while ye have time prize it, for the time present is all peoples time to make their peace with the Lord, for the time past cannot be recalled again, and the time to come is in the hands of the Lord, and he can flop the breath in your nostrils, and take it out of your bodies, and then time will be no more to you's Oh! prize the light, prize the day of the Lords vititation of you, for as I faid before, fo I fay again, from the Lord, that the day of your visitation is near passed over your heads, and when it is passed over your heads, then you may feek the Lord, and shall not find him, and call upon him, and he will not hear you. (Why?) because faith the Lord, when I called ye would not answer, and when I fpoke

spoke ye would not hear, then will the Lord mock at your calamity, and laugh when your fear cometh; Therefore I say, seek ye the Lord while he may be found, and call upon him while he is near you for he is a God athand, and not a God a far off, and he is near unto all that call upon him in truth and

in righteousnesse.

Oh ! Earth, Earth, Earth; Oh ! People, People, People, dread andfear the living God, and tremble and bow before him, whose day is at hand, that will burn as an Oven, Yes, and all the proud, and all that do wickedneffe shall be as ftubble; and except you fpeedily repent and return unto him, he will burn you up, and he will leave you neither root nor branch, and then the Rocks and the Mountains, nor all your outward ftrength shall not be able to fave you from the wrath of the Lamb, nor from the indignation of the Just One, who is rifen, and arising asa Mighty man of War to take the Kingdom, and the greatnesse of the Kingdoms; Yea, he is risen and arifing to plead with all flesh by Fire and by Sword, and the flain of the Lord shall be many, for the Sword of the Lord is drawn and furtished. and he is preparing of it for the flaughter, and except you speedily return unto the Lord, he will kindle a fire in your bowels which shall never be quenched, until it hath confumed you; Therefore all ye tall Cedars, Sturdy and flout ones, if you go on in rebellion, and stif-neckednesse against the Lord, and continue your perfecuting, and imprisoning of the servants of the most high God, which are by you reproachfully called Quakers; thus faith the Lord God, I will dash you to pieces as a potters Veffel, and will make you bend and bow before me faith the Lord, and will exalt the horn of mine Anointed.

Therefore all ye Rulers, Priests and People, whose trust is in the Arm of stell, and whose strength

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confisteth in the Host of men, and in Horses, and Chariots, and in Tumults, Noises, and Voices, and although you have made a Covenant with Death, and an agreement with Hell, vet your Covenant with Death and agreement with Hell, shall be broken by the Power of the Lord God, and although at the present you have power to cast the fervants of the most High God, some into one Prilon, and some into another, and some into Dungeons and Holes, and under many locks and boults, and make havock and spoil of their goods, yet thus faith the Lord God, that he will not leave us, nor forsake us, for our enemies to destroy us; but he will with his own out-fretched Arm bring deliverance for us, as we wait in patience on him; which deliverance shall be beyond the expectation of man, whose breath is in his Nostrils; And it shall be an astonishment unto all the Heathen round about, and the Lord God will give us the necks of our Enemies to tread upon, and they shall be as ashes under the foles of our feet; And this I can truly and boldly fay, through the love of God towards me, whose love I hope will never be forgotten by me, although at the present I am in outward bonds, yet neverthelesse in the pure Eternal truth of God I do reign and triump, and do Trample upon all the heads and necks of the wicked, and this I do declare in boldnesse from the Lord God, who hath said and doth fill say unto me, fear not what man can do unto thee, for I will never leave thee nor forfake thee; That the Lord God will make you all bend and bow unto his pure everlating truth, which he hath by his own power gathered us into, who are fcornfully and reproachfully by you called Quakers. (Mark) I do not say that you shall bend and bow unto us as Crestures, but unto his pure everlatting Truch, and unto his pure Divine power by which we are upheld, and by which we reign over all the

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Yea verily, the Lord God will make you bow unto his Son Christ Jesus the light of the World, who is the true light, that enlightnesh every man that cometh into the World, who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, who is rifen to rule the Nations with a Rod of Iron, and he will make all be nd and bow before him; for there is no other Name bywhich any man can be faved, but by the Name of lefus, at which every knee shall bow, and every tongue shall confesse unto him, and although Gog and Magog, Beaft and falle Propher, and all the powers of darknesse joyn hand in hand, and gather to gather, and make a head against the Lamb and his Followers, yet the Lamb shall gain the Victory; For there is no Weapon formed against you shall prosper, saith the Lord. And know this assuredly, that the work which the Lord God hath begun in the Earth, he will accomplish it, and you can no more stop or hinder the work of the Lord which he hath begun, then you can Rop or hinder the Sun from rifing, or the Wind from blowing, or the Rain from descending, no more can you stop or hinder the Work of the Lord; Therefore in vain, do you firive against the Lord and his Anointed. for if I do work faith the Lord, who can hinder? Therefore all ye fruitleffe Trees, which cumbers. the ground, ye are good for nought but for the fire, who have long made a profession, of a God. and & Christ in words, but in life and in power you do deny him; For now is the Lord come to feek for Fruit, and behold what is to be found amongst you but corruption and wickednesse, for the best of you is as a Bryar, and the uprighteft of you sharper then a Thorn hedge, so you are found to be fruitlesse Trees which cumbers the Ground, yeare good for nothing bun for the fire. and now is the Ax laid to the Root of the Tree, and

every Tree that bringeth not forth good fruit, shall be hewed down and cast into the fire; Therefore cease professing of a God and a Christ in words, and make no more profession of a God and a Christ in words then you can witnesse of them in life and in power; for profession without possession, is no more before the Lord, then the Chasse is before the Wind, neither is it any more in the sight of the Lord, then the cutting off a Dogsneck, or offer-

ing Swines blood.

Therefore all ye Rulers, Priefts and People, who professe and call your selves Christians, truly it would rejoyce my foul if I could see the fruits of Christianity brought forth by you; Now consider and lay it to heart, and let the witness of God in you all answer, unto which I speak, and unto which I am commended, and unto which I do appeal, is not Swearing, Drunkenness, Lying, Covetousness, Cozening, and Cheating, Defrauding, and doubledealing alive and remaining in you, and is not Malice, Strife, Wrath, Envy, Hatred, and Perfecution alive and remaining in you, unto the Witness of God in all your Consciences do I speak, which I know from the Lord God will answer for me, and against your selves, and that you are guilty of thefe evils which are here mentioned; then fay I that the old man with his deeds is yet alive in you un-put off, that is, the old degenerated nature, and so you do make your selves manifest to be of them which fay they are Jewes and are not, but are of the Synagogue of Sathan, for he that is in Chrift is a new Creature; (Mark that) I fay he that is in Christ is a new Creature, old things are done away, and all things become new, fo the old man with his deeds being yet alive in you, you have got the name (Christian) but not the nature, fo as the Body without the Spirit is dead, fo the Name without the Nature is dead alfo; for

to fay Christians, is as much as to fay Christ like. but you are feen in the Eternal light of God not to bear his Image, but the Image of another, the Image of the Earthly, the Image of Antichrift, that is the man of fin, and his works you do, and his Servants you are, and his Kingdom you frive to uphold; So now there hath been for many years a great talk of Reformation, the Nation of England to be a Reformed Nation, and the People of Eneland to be a Reformed People; Why now confider, and turn in your minds into the light of the Son of God which is made manifest in you, and commune with your own hearts, and be ftill, and enter into your Closets, and let the door be shut, enter into your own hearts, and take heed unto the light of the Son of God in you, and come and let us reason together a little there; what is that you are reformed from, or what is that you are reformed unto, doth not fin and iniquity run down as a flood in Englands streets, and ungodlinesse as a stream, and peoples mouths filled with bitterness and curling. and are not they that depart iniquity made a prey to these who live in iniquity, and they whom the Lord God hath redeemed out of the World . and fland in his dread and fear, they are the Song of the Drunkard, and a by-word unto a wicked and perverse generation of scorners, who say, who is the Lord that we should fear him, and to the Almighty depart from us, for we defire not the knowledge of thy waies, and fay you we will not have this man to reign over us; that is, you will not have Christ Jesus the light to rule over you, you, will not have the light of Christ in you to reign; for fay you, if we should own the light of Christ. in us, and that to rule in us, then we must lay down our Crowns, faies you tall Cedars and great Ones of the Earth, and our Honour and Glory we must loofe, and faies all you Priests and People,

if we should receive the light and that rule in us, then we must deny all our gain of ungodliness, and all our Pleasures, Sports, and Passimes we must deny; But thus saith the Lord, that except you speedily repent and return unto me saith the Lord, I will arise and wound the hairy scalp of the wicked, and your eares shall tingle, and fear and terrour shall take hold and surprize the Hypocrite, and your hearts shall wax faint, and your strength shall be taken away, and ye shall have your portion in the lake which burns for ever, and there ye shall

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be tormented from the presence of the Lord.

Oh poor hearts my soul pities you, the Lord God knoweth my heart, and oft times is my heart taken up with a great lamentation, and a great pity runs forth from me towards you. when I consider what a sad state and condition you are in, as to your Eternal being, and also what a fad and a woful day is coming upon you, for many of you shall be made open examples unto others, except you speedily repent and return unto the Lord; Therefore as you tender the good of your own fouls, turn at the reproof of the Lord, and cease from your outward Teachers, who keeps you ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the Truth, who speaks a divination of their own brain, and not from the mouth of the Lord, for they run and I never fent them, therefore they shall not profit the people at all faith the Lord, but if they had stood in my counsel, then they should have turned people from the evil of their waies; therefore I say turn in your minds into the light of the Son

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Son of God, and hearken diligently unto the voice of the true Prophet Christ Jesus the Light of the World, who is the true Light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the World, and he that will not hear this Prophet shall be destroyed from amongst the people; Therefore I say as you tender the good of your own fouls, cease from your outward Teachers. from your greedy hirelings, from your deceitful Merchants, who steal the true Prophets words, Christs words, and the Apostles words, and makes a Trade of them, and fells them to poor ignorant people for money; Oh People, uphold their gain of Unrighteousnesse no longer, for you have fold your felves for nought, and ye shall be redeemed without money, for they make Merchandize of fouls for dishonest gain, who are in the way of Cain, and run greedily after the errour of Balaam, who loved the wages of Unrighteousnesse, and they stand in the gain-saying of Corab, and receive the wages of Unrighteousnesse, who teach the things they ought not for filthy lucres fake. whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, whose God is their belly, whose glory is their shame, whose end is destruction. who mind earthly things, but fuch ferve mot our Lord Jesus Christ but their own bellies, their throat is an open Sepulchre, and with their Tongues they utter deceit, the poyson of Asps is under their lips, and their feet are fwift to flied bloud, and they run on in their own way, but the way of peace they know not; ThereTherefore all People, consider and lay to heart what they have profited you, and let the witnesse of God in you all answer, and spend your money no longer for that which is not bread, nor your labour for that which fatisfies not; Now this is the call of the Lord God unto you all, come forth from amongst them, and touch not the unclean, and I will receive you faith the Lord; Therefore I say come forth of Babylon, and be not partakers with her in her fins, least ve also partake with her in her Plagues; And this is also the call of the Lord unto you all, Ho, every one that thirsteth come buy and eat, yea, come buy wine and milk freely, without money and without price, come to the water of life freely, for there is a Fountain fet open for Judah and for Jerusalem, for sin' and for uncleannesse; Therefore I fay People, fpend your money no longer for that which is not bread, nor your labour for that which satisfies not, for you have sold your selves for nought, and ye shall be Redeemed without Money; Therefore all People, as you tender the good of your own foules, drink of the Whores Cup no longer, which Babslons Merchants holds forth unto you, as agolden Cup, but within is full of deadly poyfon; But turn in your minds into the light' of Christ in your own consciences, and this I' testifie unto you from the Lord, as you yield obedience to be led and Guided by it, it will lead you out of fin and out of evil, and out of all false waies, Worships, Customs, and Traditions.

Traditions that are in the World, and out of the false Church that is in the World, into the true Church that is in God, which is built up of Living, Pure, Pretious, Elect stones, of which Church Christ is the Head; and it will lead you unto the Father from whence it came, there to worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him, and the time is already come, that the true Worshippers do worship the Father in spirit and in truth.

But the Beast and fasse Prophet, shall be taken alive and cast into the Lake of Fire and Brimstone, which burns for ever, where they shall be tormented in slames from the presence of the Lord God, who will reward every one according unto their deeds, and works done in the Body, whether they be good, or whe-

ther they be evil.

Of the Lord God of life and power was I moved to write unto you, and it is in Bowels of dear and tender love unto all your foules, and whether you will hear or forbear, I shall be clear of your bloods, and shall be a good favour unto them that are saved, and unto them that perish; I remain a lover of your immortal soules; but as the Lord requireth of me, in obedience unto him, I must hear my Testimony against all sin and wickednesse, in whomsoever I see it, whether in Rulers, Priests, or People.

As I was waiting on the Lord, and my mind being exercised in the light of the Son of God, To meet the Lord by Repentance.

n the Dangeon at Warwick, on the 9th. and 10th. Day of the Month called May, 1661. Most of this that is herein written, did the Lord God put it fresh into my heart, and it did remain in me till the 20th. day of the same Month, and then the Lord added more unto it, and in obedience unto him, I gave it forth.

From a Prisoner and a Servant of the Lord, and a lover of all souls, who suffered 16. weekes in outward Bonds, in the Dungeon at Warwick, (which is 20. Staires down) because in obedience unto the Lord, and unto his Law which he hath written in my heart, I could not promise to forsake the assembling of my self with Gods chosen and elect ones, called Quakers, who is reproachfully, and scornfully called Quaker, but an known to the World by name.

Tho. Kent.

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